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Important illustrated papers, similar to those which have appeared in the past year on the great navies of the world, will continue to be a special feature. Among other attractions will be a series of Southern States contributed by the artist, DUPLEX WALKER, and a paper by WILLIAM HARRING DAVIS, illustrated by WILLIAM

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WINTER SPORTS.

How the Youth Are Enjoying Sled Riding.

Wheeling has not yet learned to "toboggan." Her society people have not been seized with the new and fashionable sporting craze that prevails this season in so many cities of the States, having been copied after one of Canada's most enjoyable winter pastimes. There is no doubt that it comes enterprising individuals would erect a toboggan slide on the Fair Grounds or somewhere else that would be convenient of access, it would be well patronized.

While Wheeling has no toboggan slide she has some glorious sled tracks on the hills surrounding her, and these are crowded with small boys and young men whenever there is an opportunity for them to enjoy the fun. Yesterday the trucks were in a prime condition, being covered with ice, and the youngsters were out in large numbers. Last night, notwithstanding the bitter cold, several hundred young men were out. The popular slides were the one down the alley forming the extension of Twenty-first street, Main street hill, Market alley east of Main street in the Second ward, and Tenth street east of Market.

On the first named the slides start

WELLSBURG.

The Postoffice—Glass Workers and Workmen—Other Notes.

Delegato I. H. Duval will leave this morning for Charleston.

Protracted meetings in the two Methodist churches will be continued this week.

Hardly sufficient gas to boil an egg was the experience of gas consumers here yesterday.

Part of the old fair ground property will be laid off in lots and sold. They will make excellent building sites.

At the spring election approaches candidates are beginning to look around to see about how their fences lay.

Ferrying at this point across to Brilliant is a difficult task. A fee of twenty-five cents is charged for the round trip, and passengers think it reasonable.

George Leckun, whose demise has been noticed, was buried Sunday afternoon. His funeral was largely attended; a number of Wheeling people were in attendance.

State Senator Somersville and wife left for Charleston yesterday morning. Since the dissolution of the law firm of Somersville & Braddock, it is understood that Somersville will permanently locate at the Capital of the State.

James M. Rodgers has purchased the

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There is considerable danger attending the descent of this slide owing to the geological conditions which the slides start down the icy track and the fact that they cross two of the principal thoroughfares along which vehicles are constantly passing. Main street here fairly swarmed with sleighs last night. The variety of sleds shown was great.

The Tenth street slide ended abruptly on the street car track, and generally last night men, women and children were pulled through the air about there, or piled promiscuously over the streets and the scales at the Upper market. This is a fine place for accidents, the steep declivity giving a sled a velocity which makes a stop impossible, and there is great danger of colliding with a car, wagon or sleigh.

BRIDGEPORT.

The Post-Lariat Lays Pave's "Bells." "Way in the Shade."

Car Deems, the Toledo druggist, was in town yesterday.

The M. E. Church is holding protracted meetings.

North West, formerly of Bridgeport, is at Chicago business.

One swallow don't make a spring, but one swallow of Soap Town whisky will make a flock.

Stock in the new building association is being rapidly taken. Within another month it will start to grind.

We have the day dissolved partnership in the Mining, Manufacturing and Building Association. All parties knowing themselves, indebted to us will please call on I feel. Those having claims against us will present them for settlement.

SOME FIFTEEN young men who were employed in the Hazel Glass Works here last night, were in operation, left Monday morning for Little Washington to take positions in the new glass works of Tallman & Brady just completed there.

The New Riverside Glass Works building is almost completed; pot-setting will take place this week and glass will be turned out our about the first of February. These works were destroyed by fire last September, but have been rebuilt this time perfectly fire-proof. This establishment employs more than a hundred persons, and its destruction has keenly felt in a pecuniary way by the merchants. The new building affords increased facilities for the manufacture of glass, and is a grand improvement over the old concern.

Welleburg democracy is all "broken up" over the appointment of Mr. Joseph R. Naylor as postmaster, some of the party swearing that he is not entitled to it and that the appointment is an outrage upon the negro ultra democratic aspirants for the office; while some of the more liberal and liberal Democratic concede the appointment to be the best that could be made in the party up here. These who take a retrospective survey of the matter seem inclined to agree to that portion of the party who regard the

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A mulo used by Dick Kuhn in cutting ice, broke through deep water recent ice and came near being frozen to death before being rescued. A channel was cut for his muleship, and he was safely landed.

The usual effect of Bridgeport thinking the usual effect of making the mulo oblivious to his surroundings and mishap.

There are old bells and young bells,
Cracked bells and whole bells,
Ready for the snow!
Ringing bells, ringing bells,
Ringing bells, ringing bells,
Rusty bells, and musty bells,
Waiting for a snow!
Wriggle, send a snow storm;
Send it thick and cold
And we'll jingle without those same bells,
Before we get too old!

The author read this poem to a friend who suggested that mulo would rhyme with slide, and intimated that that was a good place to stop—as though a man would stop on a slide.

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